

Application No. 10/743,982  
Reply to Office Action dated November 16, 2005

Docket No. P23,305-C USA

**REMARKS**

**I. Summary of the Office Action**

The Examiner has required, under 35 U.S.C. § 121, restriction to one invention as identified in the following groups:

Group I: claims 1-14;  
Group II: claims 15-16.

Claim 16 has been amended by way of Applicants' Reply filed August 16, 2005.

**II. Election**

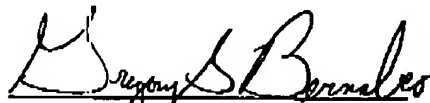
To expedite prosecution on the merits, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I in compliance with the Examiner's requirement. Applicants reserve the right to pursue in a continuation/divisional application claims of the same or similar scope as those in Group II.

**CONCLUSION**

If any issues remain, the undersigned requests a telephone interview prior to the issuance of an action.

Respectfully submitted,

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